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LOCAL AREA EVENTS

JANUARY

St. Paul Winter Carnival (Jan.-Feb.)

FEBRUARY

Mid-Winter Fest | Apple Valley
Inflatable Fun Festival | Rosemount
Annual Meeting & Award Banquet | Hastings
Home & Landscape Show | St. Paul

MARCH

Bedrace for Bridging | Burnsville
Hastings Tastings
Omnifest (March-April) | St. Paul
Craft Fair | Inver Grove Heights
Landscape & Home Expo | Lakeville

APRIL

Home & Garden Expo | Apple Valley
Easter Egg Hunt | Inver Grove Heights
Learn to Skate Spring Ice Show | Inver Grove Heights
Spring Egg Hunt | Rosemount
Giant Egg Hunt | South St. Paul
Easter Egg Hunt | West St. Paul
Earth Week Park Clean Up | Eagan
Hmong Arts & Crafts Fair | Eagan
Egg-Cellent Spring Adventure | Burnsville
Arbor Day Celebration & Tree Giveaway | Rosemount

MAY

City Wide Garage Sales | Hastings, Lakeville
Car Show & Swap Meet | St. Paul
Holz Farm Spring Festival | Eagan
Citywide Garage sale | Hastings
Historic Hastings Car Show (3rd Sun. May-Sept.)

JUNE

Eagan Art Festival
Summer Solstice Party | Eagan
Farmington Dew Days
5K Run & Walk | Mendota Heights
Grand Old Day | St. Paul
Kaposia Days | South St. Paul
City-wide Garage Sale | South St. Paul
ArtBlast | Rosemount
Back to the 50's Car Show | St. Paul
GrillFest | St. Paul
Explore West St. Paul Days & Parade
Flint Hills Family Festival | St. Paul

JULY

Freedom Days | Apple Valley
International Festival of Burnsville
4th of July Fun Fest | Eagan
Rivertown Days Arts & Crafts Fair | Hastings
Little Log House Antique Power Show | Hastings
Lakeville Pan-O-Prog
Mendota Days Festival
Rosemount Leprechaun Days
MN Scottish Fair & Highland Games | Farmington
Taste of Northfield
Vintage Band Music Festival | Northfield

AUGUST

Night to Unite Picnic | Apple Valley
Art & All That Jazz Festival | Burnsville
Dakota County Fair | Farmington
Summer Spectacular & Car Show | Farmington
Food Truck Festival | Eagan
Taste of Lakeville

SEPTEMBER

Burnsville Fire Muster
National Public Lands Day | Eagan
Septemberfest | Eagan
Raptor Release | Hastings
Inver Grove Heights Days
Lakeville Art Festival
Defeat of Jesse James Days | Northfield
Citywide Garage sale | Inver Grove Heights
Blossom Fest | Hastings
MN Mineral Club Annual Rock, Mineral & Gem show | St. Paul

OCTOBER

Hall-ZOO-Ween | Apple Valley
St. Croix Valley Apple Fest | Hastings
On the Road Again | South St. Paul
Randolph Railroad Days
Oktoberfest | Hastings
Halloween Fun Run | Hastings

NOVEMBER

Winter Lighting Ceremony | Burnsville
Gobble Gait | Hastings
Festival of Season's Boutique | West St. Paul
Opt Outside | Eagan
Wells Fargo Winter Skate (Nov.-Feb.) | St. Paul
Rosemount Community Center Craft Show
Hmong Arts & Crafts Fair | Eagan
Womens' Symposium & Expo | St. Paul

DECEMBER

Christmas in the Village | Farmington
Country Christmas Celebration | Lakeville
Holidays on Main | Lakeville
New Year's Eve Party | Eagan
Skate with Santa | Inver Grove Heights
Tree Lighting | Apple Valley
Holiday Craft & Gift Show | Eagan

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Cradled and influenced by three major rivers, the Minnesota and Mississippi to the north and St. Croix to the east, Dakota County spans roughly 600 square miles. Before settlement by Europeans, oak prairie savannahs dominated the landscape and were home to the Dakota tribe of American Indians until 1689. Then, without tribal consent, a fur trader by the name of Nicholas Perrot claimed ownership of the Dakota, Ojibwe and other American Indian land for France. Through the Louisiana Purchase in 1805, the United States appropriated land west of the Mississippi from France. Dakota County was created by the Minnesota Territory legislature in 1849, along with 8 other counties. Dakota County's initial boundary spanned from Hastings to several hundred miles west to the Missouri River. In 1853 Kaposia was home to the county seat. A year later Mendota, the first European settlement in Minnesota made possible by the founding of Fort Snelling, held the county seat until 1857. It was then relocated to Hastings where it now remains. Today Dakota County is home to approximately 439,882 residents.

APPLE VALLEY - pop. 55,638

BURNSVILLE - pop. 63,943

COATES - pop. 142

EAGAN - pop. 68,642

FARMINGTON - pop. 23,534

HAMPTON - pop. 736

HASTINGS (COUNTY SEAT) - pop. 21,925

INVER GROVE HEIGHTS - pop. 35,541

LAKEVILLE - pop. 72,812

LILYDALE - pop. 800

MENDOTA - pop. 183

MENDOTA HEIGHTS - pop. 11,665

MIESVILLE - pop. 134

NEW TRIER - pop. 83

NORTHFIELD - pop. 20,709

RANDOLPH - pop. 464

ROSEMOUNT - pop. 26,642

SOUTH ST. PAUL - pop. 20,536

SUNFISH LAKE - pop. 523

VERMILLION - pop. 439

WEST ST. PAUL - pop. 20,822

**Populations are approximate.*

APPLE VALLEY

First known as Lebanon Township, Apple Valley was settled by immigrants from the east coast. The first town meeting was held on May 11, 1858 in a home near the area that is now West-view Elementary School. Lebanon Township remained much the same for its first century and was renamed Apple Valley due to its resemblance to Apple Valley, California. Today Apple Valley is home to approximately 55,638 residents.

BURNSVILLE

The rich soil and considerable amount of land of present day Burnsville attracted farmers and Irish immigrants for settlement. William Byrne joined the settlement once known as Byrnesville Township in 1855 and due to his large donation of land for a church, school and cemetery it is assumed that Burnsville is named in Byrne's honor. Burnsville did not become a city until 1965 when it began to grow. In 1977 Burnsville Center opened its doors, attracting many new residents. Today Burnsville is home to approximately 63,943 residents.

COATES

The first post office in the Coates area was established in 1904 and the community was named in honor of Civil War Captain Henry C. Coates. In 1953 Coates was incorporated and the community has continued to prosper. Today Coates is home to approximately 142 residents.

EAGAN

Eagan was initially home to the Sioux Indians and French fur traders until the development of Fort Snelling in 1824. Eagan was initially part of Mendota Township until 1860 when it was renamed Eagan Township after Patrick Eagan, one of Eagan's first chairmen. Known for a time as the "Onion Capital of the United States," this area slowly evolved from a farming community to a bustling suburb and Eagan was officially incorporated as a city in 1974. Today Eagan is home to approximately 68,642 residents.

FARMINGTON

Farmington, originally named Dakota City, is one of the oldest communities in Dakota County. It was founded between the railroads and the Vermillion River as this region was widely known for its fertile soil. In 1865 the establishment of a business district along with schools and churches fulfilled the growing needs of the community. Battling Hastings for the county seat, Farmington was initially rejected incorporation from the State of Minnesota until 1872. Today Farmington is home to approximately 23,534 residents.

HAMPTON

Hampton was founded in 1858 and named by Nathaniel Martin in honor of his hometown of Hampton, Connecticut. A post office was established and the expansion of the railroad allowed for growth. In 1896 Hampton was incorporated and the area continued to thrive. Today Hampton is home to approximately 736 residents.

HASTINGS (COUNTY SEAT)

Hastings was once known as Oliver's Grove, after Lieutenant W. G. Oliver carved his name on a grove of trees while camping in 1819. The community was founded by four veteran fur traders Alexis and Henry Bailly, Alexander Faribault, and Henry Hastings Sibley and the name Hastings was drawn out of a hat upon settlement. Hastings was selected as the county seat in 1857 and the area continued to thrive. Today Hastings is home to approximately 21,925 residents.

INVER GROVE HEIGHTS

Inver Grove Heights was founded in 1858 and the first post office in the Inver Grove Heights area started in 1886. The community was named by John McGroarty in honor of the place in Ireland from which many settlers arrived. Railroad development prompted growth and Inver Grove Heights was incorporated in 1965. Today Inver Grove Heights is home to approximately 35,541 residents.

LAKEVILLE

Founded in 1855 due to its prime location between St. Paul and St. Peter, Lakeville was named after Prairie Lake. Irish, Scottish, English and Scandinavian immigrants were among the early settlers in this territory. For many years the leading industries in Lakeville included farms, flour mills and a creamery. In 1910 Lakeville was home to one of the most famous Midwestern amusement parks, Antlers Amusement Park. Today Lakeville is home to approximately 72,812 residents.

LILYDALE

Named for the blooming lilies of Pickerel Lake, Lilydale was platted in 1886. The community was incorporated in 1901 and reincorporated in 1951. Its location along the east bank of the Mississippi River allowed for numerous floods until the community was relocated to higher bluffs. Today Lilydale is home to approximately 800 residents.

MENDOTA

Mendota, one of the oldest communities in Minnesota, began as a trading post in 1812. Its name was derived from the Dakota word for "where the waters meet" or "mouth of the river." In 1840 St. Peter's Church was completed which is now the oldest active church in Minnesota. Mendota continued to develop and was selected as the county seat in 1854 until it was moved to Hastings. Today Mendota is home to approximately 183 residents.

MENDOTA HEIGHTS

Mendota Heights began as Mendota Township and the community began to develop with the use of ferries across the Minnesota River and the establishment of a trading post in 1825. In 1853 the area continued to grow and in 1926 the Mendota Bridge was completed which was the longest poured concrete bridge in the world at the time. In 1956 Mendota Heights was incorporated and the area continued to thrive. Today Mendota Heights is home to approximately 11,665 residents.

MIESVILLE

Miesville was founded in 1874 by John Mies, for which the community was named. The first post office was established in 1884 and Miesville was incorporated in 1951. The area now houses the newest county park in Dakota County, the Miesville Ravine Park Reserve. Today Miesville is home to approximately 134 residents.

NEW TRIER

Settled in 1856, New Trier was named after Trier, Germany, from where many settlers originated. The first post office was established in 1867 and New Trier was incorporated in 1874. Today New Trier is home to approximately 83 residents.

NORTHFIELD

Attracted to the fertile soil and water power of the Cannon River, John Wesley North arrived to the Northfield area in 1855. Mills and a bridge were built, and the community began to grow, spanning both Dakota and Rice Counties. In 1876, the Jesse James Gang arrived to rob the First National Bank of Northfield, but locals refused and the Jesse James Gang was defeated. As a result, Northfield celebrates the annual Jesse James Days in honor of its courageous residents. In 1919, the Malt-O-Meal Company was established, providing breakfast foods across the country. Today Northfield is home to approximately 20,709 residents.

RANDOLPH

First known as Richmond, Randolph was established in 1858. The community was renamed by D.B. Hulburt in honor of John Randolph of Roanoke, a Virginia statesman. Construction of rail lines prompted growth and the first post office was established in 1886. Today Randolph is home to approximately 464 residents.

ROSEMOUNT

Originally inhabited by the Sioux Tribe, the land was then settled by Irish and Scottish immigrants and the name Rosemount was chosen after a city in Ireland. After a dispute with the Minnesota Central Railroad, Rosemount was relocated a half mile to utilize the trains. Today Rosemount is home to approximately 26,642 residents.

SOUTH ST. PAUL

In 1887 South St. Paul was established from parts of West St. Paul and its first post office was founded the following year. Railroad expansion promoted dramatic growth and Alpheus Stickney, a local railroad developer, founded the St. Paul Union Stockyards Company. The organization of the stockyards allowed South St. Paul to grow from a quaint farming community to the bustling city it is now. Today South St. Paul is home to approximately 20,536 residents.

SUNFISH LAKE

Sunfish Lake, for which the community is named, was originally known as Lake Thereau and renamed for the fish species inhabiting its waters. The area began to progress with railroad construction and the community was incorporated in 1958. Today Sunfish Lake is home to approximately 523 residents.

VERMILLION

Vermillion was organized in 1858 and its name was derived from the Dakota word for "reddish-brown pigment." The community was incorporated in 1881 and the fertile soil of the riverbanks attracted settlers. Today Vermillion is home to approximately 439 residents.

WEST ST. PAUL

Named for its location along the Mississippi River, West St. Paul was founded from parts of South St. Paul and St. Paul. The first post office was established in 1857 and early industry was led by wheat farming. Churches, schools and businesses were constructed to meet the needs of its residents and the area began to develop. Today West St. Paul is home to approximately 20,822 residents.

WORD SEARCH



- EAGAN
- SOUTH SAINT PAUL
- MENDOTA
- HASTINGS
- COATES
- LAKEVILLE
- APPLE VALLEY
- ROSEMOUNT
- INVERGROVE HEIGHTS
- LILYDALE
- VERMILLION
- NORTHFIELD
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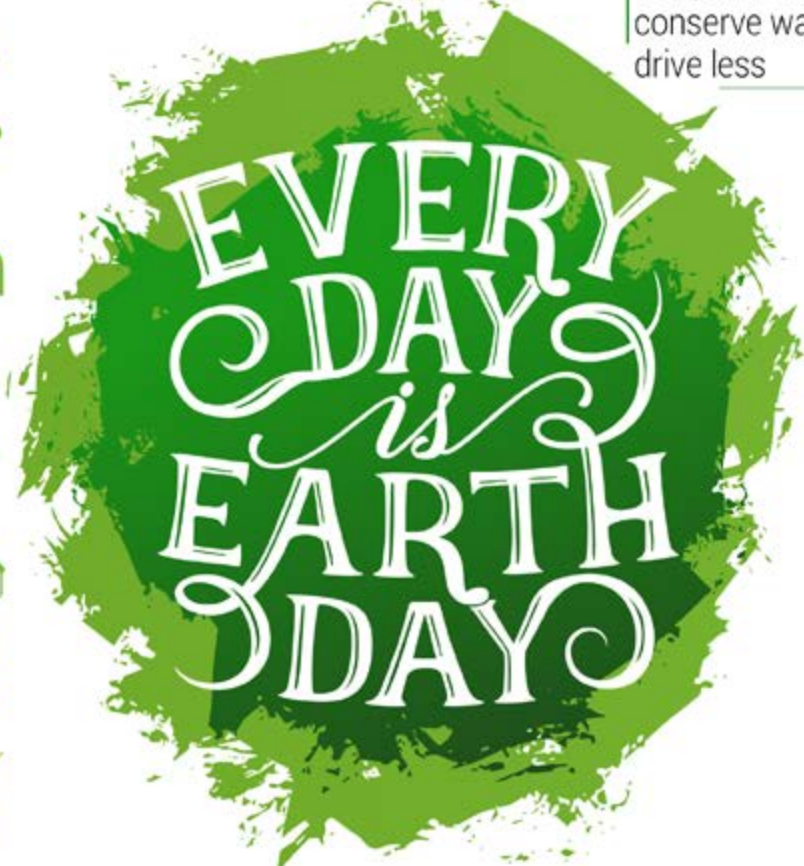
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Bear

08/11/23 Bear baiting start date Permit areas & no-quota area
09/1/23 - 10/15/23 Bear Permit areas & no-quota area

Deer

09/16/23 - 12/31/23 - Archery Statewide
10/19/23 - 10/22/23 - Early Antlerless
10/19/23 - 10/22/23 - Youth Statewide
11/4/23 - 11/19/23 - Firearm (Season A) 100 Series permit areas
11/4/23 - 11/12/23 - Firearm (Season A) 200 & 300 Series permit areas
11/18/23 - 11/26/23 - Firearm (Season B) 300 Series permit areas
11/25/23 - 12/10/23 - Muzzleloader - Statewide

Badger

10/14/23 - 03/15/24 North furbearer zone
10/21/23 - 03/15/24 South furbearer zone

Bobcat

12/16/23 - 01/21/24
North of I-94 and U.S. Highway 10

Fox, Gray & Red

10/14/23 - 03/15/24 North furbearer zone
12/23/23 - 03/15/24 South furbearer zone

Opossum

10/14/23 - 03/15/24 North furbearer zone
10/21/23 - 03/15/24 South furbearer zone

Rabbit

09/16/23 - 02/28/24 Rabbit, Jack - Statewide
09/16/23 - 02/28/24 Rabbit, Cottontail & Snowshoe Hare - Statewide

Raccoon

10/14/23 - 03/15/24 North furbearer zone
10/21/23 - 03/15/24 South furbearer zone

Squirrel, Gray & Fox

09/16/23 - 02/29/24 Statewide

Grouse

09/16/23 - 11/29/23 Sharp-Tailed - Northwest zone
09/16/23 - 01/1/24 Ruffed & Spruce - Statewide

Pheasant

10/14/23 - 01/1/24 Ring-Necked - Statewide

Wild Turkey

02/10/23 WMA lottery deadline
04/12/23 - 05/31/23 - Youth - Statewide
04/12/23 - 05/31/23 - Archery - Statewide
04/12/23 - 04/18/23 - A season - Statewide
04/19/23 - 04/25/23 - B season - Statewide
04/26/23 - 05/2/23 - C season - Statewide
05/3/23 - 05/9/23 - D season - Statewide
05/10/23 - 05/16/23 - E season - Statewide
05/17/23 - 05/31/23 - F season - Statewide
09/30/23 - 10/29/23 Fall - Statewide

TRAPPING

Badger

10/14/23 - 03/15/24 North furbearer zone
10/21/23 - 03/15/24 South furbearer zone

Bobcat

12/16/23 - 01/21/24 North of I-94 and U.S. Highway 10

Fox

10/14/23 - 03/15/24 Gray & Red - North furbearer zone
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OUTDOOR

Fun Facts

- 85% of plant life is found in the ocean
- Fire usually moves faster uphill than downhill
- Wildfires can reach speeds of 14 miles per hour
- For every human there are around 200 million insects
- The only continent with no active volcanoes is Australia
- You can only see a rainbow if you have your back to the sun
- Oak trees produce acorns when they are around 50 years old
- Parks run by the National Park Service have around 3 million campers per year
- The record high in the U.S. was in Death Valley, CA at 134F and the record low was in Prospect Creek, AK at -79F

OPENERS

- Stream trout opener - 04/15/23
- Walleye, sauger and northern pike opener - 05/13/23
- Muskellunge opener - 06/03/23

INLAND WATERS

Walleye and Sauger 5/13/23 - 2/25/24
6 combined, not more than one walleye over 20"

Northeast zone

Northern Pike 5/13/23 - 2/25/24
Angling: 2 (not more than 1 over 40" in possession. All from 30-40" must be immediately released).

Northern Pike 11/15/23 - 2/25/24
Darkhouse spearing: 2 (Not more than 1 over 26").

North-central zone

Northern Pike 5/13/23 - 2/25/24
Angling: 10 (not more than 2 over 26". All from 22-26" must be immediately released).

Northern Pike 11/15/23 - 2/25/24
Darkhouse spearing: 10 (only 1 between 22-26" and 1 over 26"; or, only 2 over 26").

Southern zone

Northern Pike 5/13/23 - 2/25/24
Angling: 2 (Minimum size 24").

Northern Pike 11/15/23 - 2/25/24
Darkhouse spearing: 2 (Minimum size 24").

Muskellunge 6/3/23 - 12/1/23
1, minimum size 54"

Largemouth and smallmouth bass in the Northeast zone, north and east of US Hwy 53 from Duluth to International Falls and Pelican and Ash lakes in St. Louis County.
5/13/23 - 2/25/24 6 combined

Largemouth and smallmouth bass in the rest of the state

5/13/23 - 5/26/23, Catch-and-release only

Largemouth and Smallmouth Bass

5/27/23 - 9/10/23 6 combined

Largemouth Bass 9/11/23 - 2/25/24 6

Smallmouth Bass 9/11/23 - 2/25/24

Catch-and-release only

Crappie Continuous 10

Sunfish Continuous 20

Rock Bass Continuous 30

White Bass Continuous 30

Channel Catfish Continuous 5 in combination with Flathead Catfish, only 1 fish over 24"

Flathead Catfish 4/1/23 - 11/30/23

2, only 1 fish over 24" in combination with Channel Catfish

Perch

Continuous 20 daily and 40 in possession

Bullhead Continuous 100

Whitefish, Cisco, and Burbot Continuous, No limit (Exception: On Leech Lake Indian Reservation whitefish limit 25 and cisco limit 50).

Smelt Continuous No limit

Including Lake Superior and St. Louis River

Lake and Shovelnose Sturgeon

3/1/23 - 4/14/23

Catch-and-release only, no tag needed

Including Lake Superior and St. Louis River

Lake and Shovelnose Sturgeon

6/16/23 - 4/14/24

Catch-and-release only, no tag needed

Paddlefish No open season

Longnose and Shortnose Gar

Continuous 10 combined

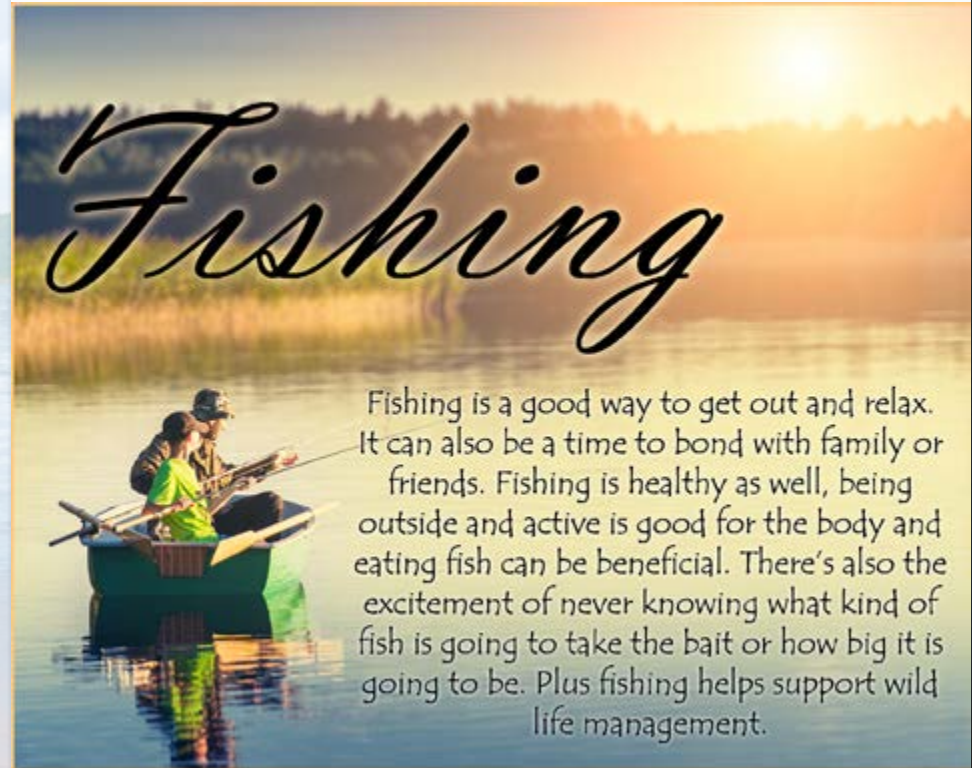
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Fishing is a good way to get out and relax. It can also be a time to bond with family or friends. Fishing is healthy as well, being outside and active is good for the body and eating fish can be beneficial. There's also the excitement of never knowing what kind of fish is going to take the bait or how big it is going to be. Plus fishing helps support wild life management.

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Boating safety is critical for anyone who operates a boat or spends time on the water. Here are some general boating safety tips to keep in mind:

• **Wear a life jacket:** Always wear a life jacket while boating. Make sure the life jacket is appropriate for your weight and is U.S. Coast Guard approved. • **Know the weather:** Check the weather forecast before you go boating and keep an eye on changing conditions. If you notice darkening clouds, rough winds or sudden drops in temperature, get off the water. • **Use navigation aids:** Use navigation aids like buoys and beacons to help you navigate safely. • **Maintain your boat:** Keep your boat well-maintained and in good working condition. Make sure all safety equipment is in good condition and functioning properly. • **Avoid alcohol:** Do not drink alcohol while operating a boat. It is illegal and increases the likelihood of accidents. • **Watch your speed:** Observe speed limits and maintain a safe speed based on conditions. Remember, slower speeds may be necessary in crowded areas or in inclement weather. • **Be aware of other boats:** Watch for other boats and be aware of their movements. Always assume other boaters may not see you. • **Know the rules:** Learn and follow boating safety laws and regulations. This includes rules for navigation, safety equipment, and right-of-way. • **File a float plan:** Always let someone know where you are going and when you plan to return. File a float plan with a trusted person or a marina. • **Take a boating safety course:** Consider taking a boating safety course to improve your skills and knowledge.



By following these general boating safety tips, you can reduce the likelihood of accidents and enjoy a safe and enjoyable time on the water.

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Muskellunge: Lake Oscar, Holmes City
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The Wilderness at Fortune Bay, Tower

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Spirit Mountain, Duluth • Piedmont, Duluth

Skiing:

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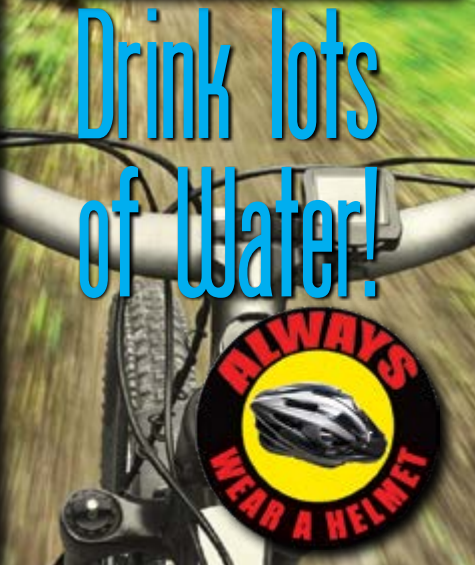
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Bike Service Stations



Be Aware of your Surroundings

- Always wear a properly fitting bike helmet as most serious injuries are to the head.
- Be sure your handlebars, seat and wheels fit snugly.
- Keep your bike in good shape by checking and oiling your chain, making sure your brakes work properly and maintaining your tire pressure.
- Always ride with both hands on the handlebars except when doing turn signals.
- When leaving a driveway, curb or alleyway always stop and check for traffic in both directions.
- Cross only at intersections.
- Use the crosswalk to walk your bike across busy intersections and follow the traffic signals.
- Never ride against traffic. Travel in the same direction as the cars.
- Whenever you can, use bike routes and avoid busy streets.
- Don't ride near parked cars as doors can open and cause accidents.
- Obey all traffic signs and traffic lights.
- When biking with friends, ride in a single file.
- Always pass other bikers or pedestrians on the left and say "On your left!" to make your presence known.
- Always use bicycle hand signals to alert traffic of your changing direction.



Know Your ATV

Read the owner's manual and know your vehicle thoroughly.

- Check your vehicle before you ride.
- Wear protective equipment and clothing.
- Don't lend your vehicle to unskilled riders.
- Supervise young or inexperienced riders.
- Never carry a passenger on vehicles meant for one rider.
- Do not operate under the influence of drugs or alcohol.
- Drive at speeds that are appropriate to trail conditions.
- Stay to the right on trails.
- Stay away from thin ice, open water and wetlands.
- Know the weather forecast.
- Make sure headlights and taillights work properly.
- Maintain safe distances between other riders.
- Reduce your speed when riding at night.
- Yield to other motor vehicles and trail users.
- Young or beginning riders are encouraged to take a safety training course.

- Do not consume alcohol or take drugs prior to or during your snowmobile trip. Doing so increases your chances of injury or death.
- Slow down and don't cut to the inside of the trail corners. It's dangerous and illegal.
- If you snowmobile at night, don't override your lights.
- Always use the buddy system. Never ride off alone.
- Drowning is one of the causes of many snowmobile fatalities. Whenever possible, avoid the ice.
- Wear sensible, protective clothing designed for operating a snowmobile.
- Use a full size helmet, goggles, or visor to prevent injuries from twigs, stones, ice chips and other debris.
- Avoid wearing long scarves. They may get caught in moving parts of the snowmobile.
- Know the terrain you are going to ride. If unfamiliar to you, ask someone who has traveled over it before.
- Know the weather forecast, especially the ice and snow conditions.
- Be sure your snowmobile is in top-notch mechanical condition throughout the months of use.
- Familiarize yourself with the snowmobile you are driving. Thoroughly read the manual that accompanies the snowmobile.
- Do not pursue domestic or wild animals. That is not the conduct of a sportsman. Report such violations to the nearest law enforcement officer.

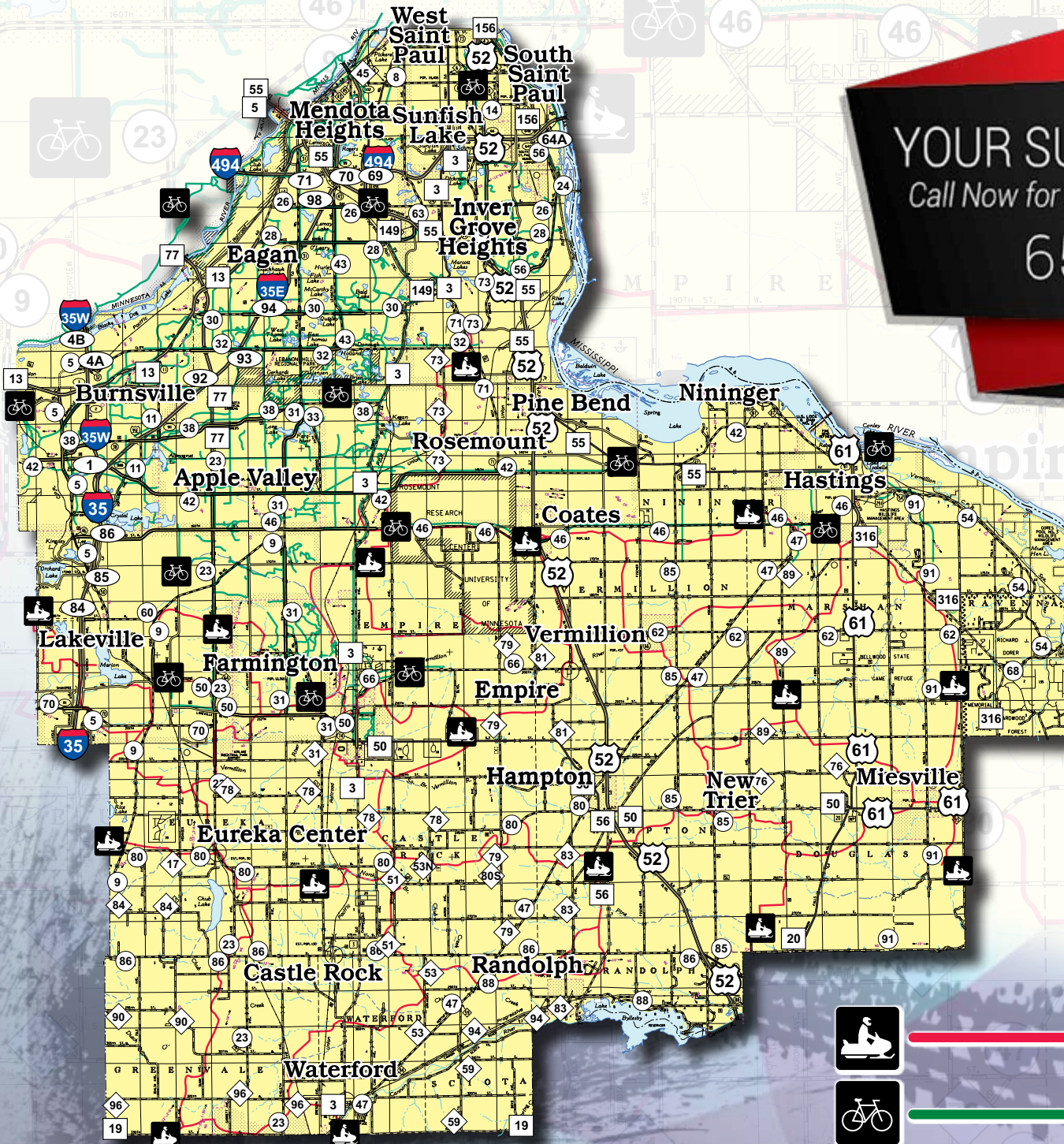
Snowmobile Hand Signals



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COMPOSTING in Your Backyard

Yard trimmings and food scraps make up nearly 15% to 30% of waste produced by the average household in USA. Composting leaves, grass clippings, and kitchen scraps, creates a nice black dirt to use around your yard. It also can reduce what goes to landfills and your use of fertilizer and water around your yard.

How to get started composting

1. Make a compost bin or you can buy one
2. Place yard waste in and mix in kitchen scraps
3. Water as needed, to keep moist
4. Mix it with a shovel or pitchfork once in a while

What to compost

Food scraps such as banana peels and coffee grounds are good to compost. The best results come from mixing the right materials like, nitrogen-rich (greens), carbon-rich (browns), water, and air. Get the mixture correct and you will have good quality compost.

How long will it take?

Most likely you will produce compost in six months to a year depending on your management methods. To make compost faster keep the correct moisture levels and turn the pile every once in awhile.

Using the finished compost

Compost is not a fertilizer but it can contain nutrients which improves plant growth. By using compost, you can improve the soil around your plants, flowers and throughout your yard, it also reduces your use of fertilizer and water. Another good use for your compost is to use it for your potted plants.

What not to compost

Although a lot of stuff is compostable, you should stay away from composting things that will attract scavengers or create bad odors.

Some things you should not add to your compost are pet feces, diseased plants, weeds gone to seed, ashes, dairy, oils and food with meat or bones.



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Emerald Ash Borer

Gypsy Moth Caterpillar

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- Tell your friends and family about the importance of not moving firewood.
- Don't move hardwood firewood out of a quarantine county, unless it is state or USDA certified.
- Don't move opened firewood bundles.
- Don't move firewood long distances to or from your lake home or cabin.

Invasive Pests are a Problem!

CREAMY *Dill* CHICKEN



Simple meal with a Gourmet Feel

INGREDIENTS

4 boneless, skinless chicken breasts

Salt and pepper

1 tablespoon olive oil

1 tablespoon butter

1/2 cup chicken broth

1/2 cup heavy cream

1 tablespoon Dijon mustard

2 teaspoons dried dill weed

1/4 cup chopped fresh parsley

INSTRUCTIONS

- 1 Season the chicken breasts with salt and pepper on both sides.
- 2 Heat the olive oil and butter in a large skillet over medium-high heat.
- 3 Add the chicken breasts to the skillet and cook for 6-7 minutes on each side, until browned and cooked through. Remove the chicken from the skillet and set aside.
- 4 Pour the chicken broth into the skillet and use a spatula to scrape up any browned bits from the bottom of the pan.
- 5 Stir in the heavy cream, Dijon mustard, and dried dill weed. Bring the mixture to a simmer and cook for 2-3 minutes, stirring frequently, until the sauce has thickened.
- 6 Return the chicken breasts to the skillet and spoon the sauce over the top. Allow the chicken to cook in the sauce for an additional 1-2 minutes, until the chicken is heated through.
- 7 Sprinkle chopped fresh parsley over the top of the chicken before serving.

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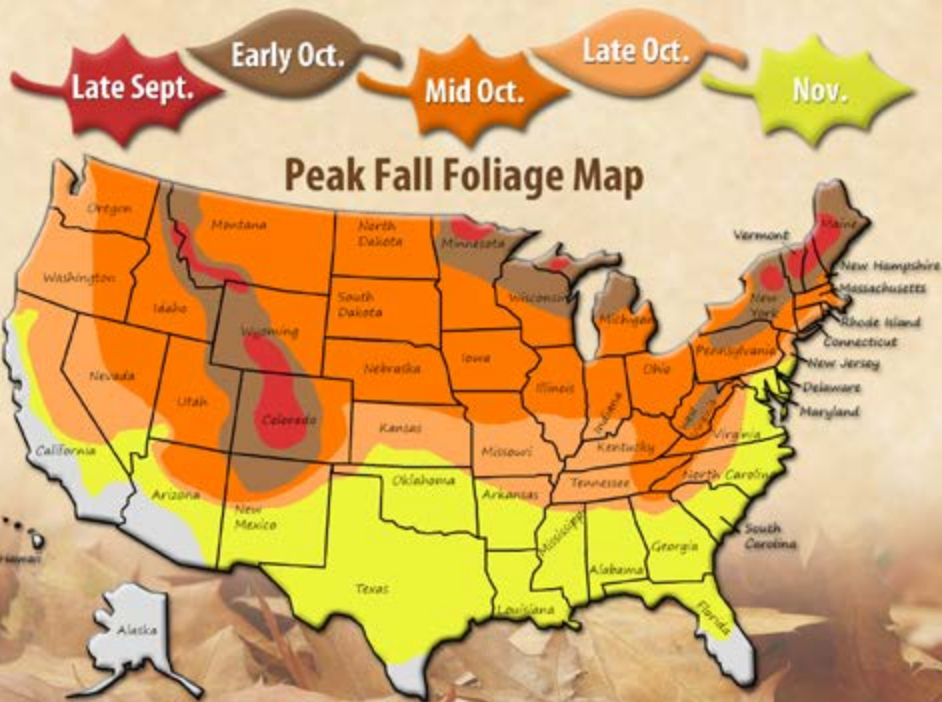
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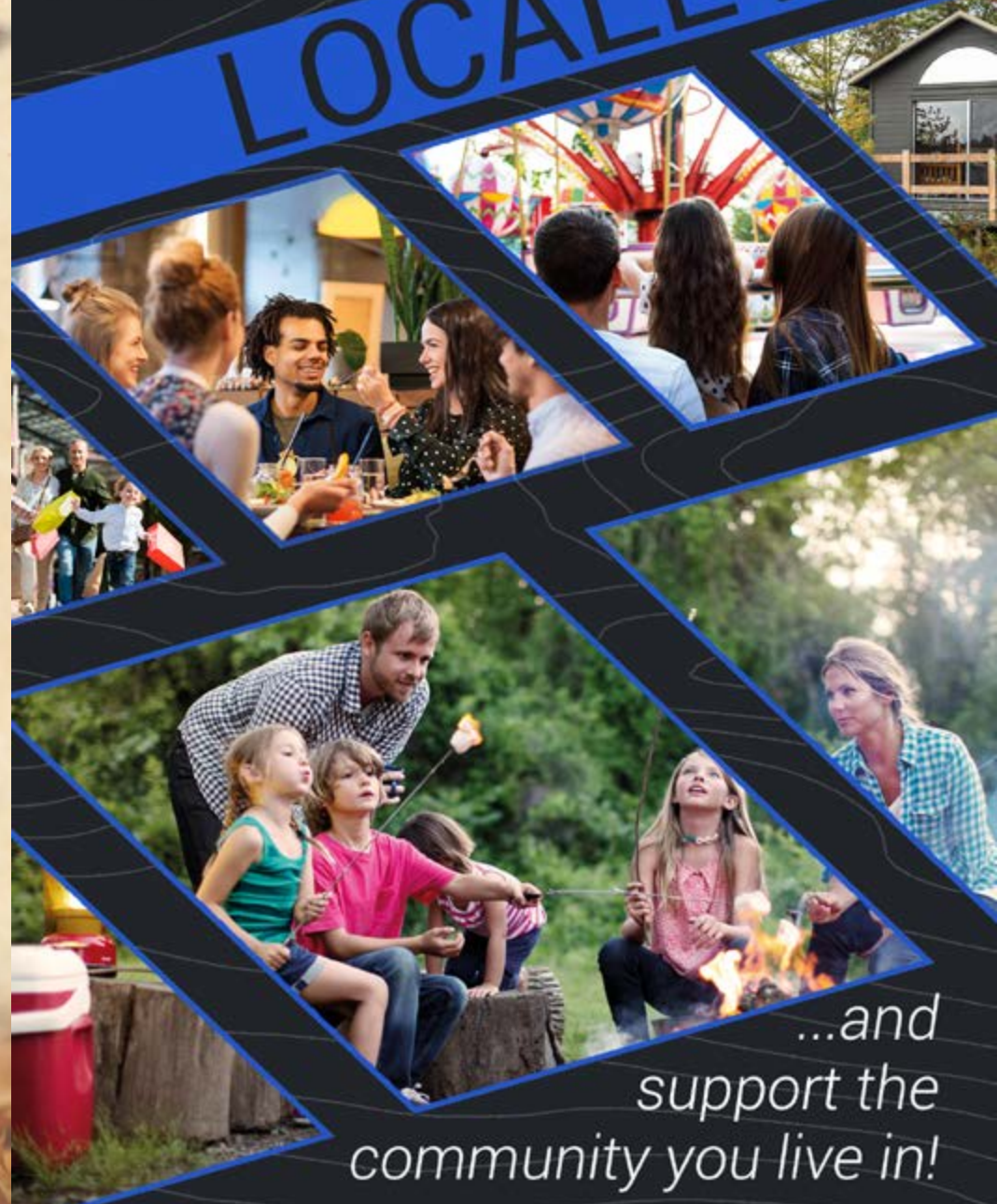
In the spring and summer tree leaves are green, producing nutrients for the tree. The green color comes from cells in the leaves containing chlorophyll. Chlorophyll absorbs sunlight for energy to transform carbon dioxide and water into carbohydrates.

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